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PREFACE.

This Directory was at first intended to be simply a Business one. The plan was afterward enlarged. It gives, first, an Introductory Statement in reference to the Village, then the Business Directory, a Sketch of the Early History of Newport, the Advertisements of the Professional and Business men, then the Sketches of the Baptist, Congregational and Methodist Churches; also, many interesting items in reference to the early settlers, and facts in relation to the town, new to many. The aim is to make it a valuable book of reference, and also to spread "our fair fame abroad."

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Sketch of Newport.

NEWPORT, N. H., is the shire town of Sullivan County. In it are several villages. The principal one is situated on the banks of the Sugar river, a stream rising in the beautiful lake Sunapee, five miles distant. The village is snugly placed between the hills and from many points it can be seen, presenting the charming appearance which has gained for it the name of one of the most beautiful villages in New-England. A very wide street, crossed at right angles in many places, runs through the center of the village until it is divided in two at the north end. The two streets thus made inclose a handsome common, which would be doubly so were proper care taken of it. On account of the many mills, the sessions of the courts, and its being the business center for a number of farming towns, the place presents quite an animated appearance. The inhabitants are industrious, intelligent and energetic.

The Scenery in this neighborhood is most romantic. On the east Sunapee lifts its high head. This mountain has been rendered famous by the book, entitled "Old Sunapee," written by the talented authoress of our town, Miss Mary D. Chellis. Looking down upon the village are Coit, Bald and Croydon mountains, famous resorts for picnic parties. From these points a comprehensive view is had. Sunapee lake, extending ten miles in one direction and three miles in another,

can be plainly seen. In the west Ascutney mountain presents a bold front. Twenty miles in another direction Kearsarge rises to view, and midway up, the Winslow House is seen. Near the village are most retired nooks which captivate the eye. One never tires, in summer, driving or walking over the delightful roads, through pine groves, or beside brooks lined with moss and shaded by the over-hanging trees.

From incorrect statistics given a few years ago of the mortality in the village, unfortunately a wrong impression was given to those living at a distance. The atmosphere, it was supposed, engendered certain kinds of disease. Nothing is farther from the truth. The air is pure and bracing. The number of deaths each year, in proportion to the population, is very small. The large number of old men and women, born here and who are still living, is specific proof that the climate is healthy. One thing particularly noticed by strangers is the sweetness and purity of the water, of which each family has an abundant supply. There is good fishing in the vicinity. The proximity of the lake is an inducement to many who love to fish from a boat, while the many brooks tempt those who love the speckled trout.

There are two hotels in the village. One is a frame building, nearly finished, the other a brick building, which has been enlarged and greatly improved. The beauty of the village, the activity and pleasant manners of the inhabitants, the delightful roads and romantic scenery, the fishing haunts in the vicinity, the ample accommodations and good fare at the hotels and private houses, all make this village a desirable resort for those who wish to spend a few weeks in the country.

NEWPORT BUSINESS DIRECTORY.

Town Officers.

Postmaster—George W. Nourse.

Town-clerk—Henry P. Coffin.

Selectmen—George W. Nourse, O. C. Kibbey, W. H. Perry.

Tax Collector—R. P. Claggett.

Representatives—D. Richards, Orren Osgood.

Resident County Officers.

Register of Deeds-A. H. Ingram.

Clerk of Supreme Judicial Court—Lyman J. Brooks.

Register of Probate—S. L. Bowers.

Jailer-M. A. Barton.

Attorneys and Counselors at Law.

Amasa Edes.

Edmund Burke (See advt. page 51).

Levi W. Barton (See advt. page 39).

Samuel H. Edes (See advt. page 49).

Shepherd L. Bowers (See advt. page 48).

Albert S. Wait (See advt. page 28).

George R. Brown (See advt. page 51).

Auctioneer.

James L. Riley.

Banks.

First National Bank (See advt. page 59).

T. W. Gilmore, *President*; F. W. Lewis, *Cashier*.

T. W. Gilmore, President; F. W. Lewis, Cashier.

Newport Savings Bank (See advt. page 59). Dexter Richards, *President*; F. W. Lewis, *Treasurer*.

Blacksmiths.

Chapin & Kelsey (See advt. page 30).

C. T. & L. Lathrop (See advt. page 33)

Isaac Woodbury (See advt. page 29).

Jonathan Emerson, Jr.

Boot, Shoe and Leather Dealers.

E. S. & A. S. Chase (See advt. page 39).

S. & E. M. Kempton (See advt. page 40).

Brick Makers.

James Stone & Son. (See advt. page 38).

Carriage and Sleigh Makers.

J. S. & B. C. Heath (See advt. page 27).

Clergymen.

Rev. G. R. W. Scott, Congregational.

Rev. Foster Henry, Baptist.

Rev. Charles W. Millen, Methodist.

Clothing Dealer.

M. W. Burke (See advt. page 32).

Coffin and Casket Maker.

B. M. Gilmore (See advt. page 32).

Commission Merchants.

Nathan White & Son (See advt. page 27).

Door, Sash and Blind Maker.

A. W. Clark (See advt. page 41).

Druggists.

J. C. Kelley (See advt. page 46).

Hurd & Ayer (See advt. page 37).

Dry Goods.

Samuel H. Edes (See advt. page 49).

Dry Goods and Groceries.

Converse & Coffin (See advt. page 56).

Nourse & Fairbanks (See advt. page 53).

Quimby & Simmons (See advt. page 54).

S. G. Stowell & Co. (See advt. page 31).

C. H. Whitney & Co.

Fish and Oyster Dealers.

Day & Thurston (See advt. page 56).

Flannel Manufacturers.

Granite State Mills-Coffin & Nourse

(See advt. page 50).

Sugar River Mills-Dexter Richards

(See advt. page 44).

Eagle Mills—S. H. Edes (See advt. page 49).

Newport Mills—Solomon Dean.

Diamond Mills—George S. Coffin (See advt. page 34).

Flour and Grain Dealers.

Bennett & Woodbury (millers).

Fork Handle Maker.

L. F. Dodge.

Furniture Dealers.

W. W. Hubbell (See advt. page 59).

Putnam George.

Grocers.

Averill & Huntoon.

G. E. Bartlett & Co.

(See advt. page 38).

Gunsmith.

V. W. Goodwin

(See advt. page 36). .

Hair Dressers.

Dudley Brothers

(See advt. page 57).

Harness Makers.

C. H. Watts & Co.

(See advt. page 37).

G. & E. A. Pollard

(See advt. page 60).

Hoop Skirts.

Mrs. L. A. Spiller.

Hotel.

Newport House—E. L. Putney, Proprietor

(See advt. page 52).

Insurance Agents.

Amasa Edes, Fire.

Austin Corbin, Fire. F. W. Lewis, Fire

(See advt. page 59).

S. L. Bowers, Fire and Life

(See advt. page 48).

Samuel H. Edes, Fire and Life

(See advt. page 49).

L. J. Brooks, Life and Accidental. B. F. Haven, Life.

Jewelers.

A. O. Kidder

(See advt. page 45).

A. O. Woodbury

(See advt. page 53).

Knitting Machine.

Lamb's—J. M. Kenerson, Agent.

Leather Manufacturers.

B. F. Sawyer.

Rounsevel & Jackson

(See advt. page 42).

Literary Institutions.

Newport Library—S. H. Edes, Librarian.

Newport Lyceum—O. P. Baston, Clerk; S. L. Bowers, Treasurer.

Young Men's Christian Association—Dexter Richards, President; A. S. Wait, Secretary.

Livery Stables.

M. A. Bartlett.

H. A. Averill (See advt. page 30).

Lumber Dealers.

Daniel Nettleton (See advt. page 55).

D. G. Fowler.

I. F. Chandler.

David Carr.

Coffin & Nourse (See advt. page 50).

L. Richardson.

B. F. Haven.

Marble Worker.

M. W. Howe (See advt. page 41).

Meat Market.

D. G. Chadwick (See advt. page 58).

Merchant Tailors.

H. A. Hitchcock (See advt. page 57).

John O. Hobbs (See advt. page 43).

Milliners.

Mrs. A. D. Howard (See advt. page 55).

Mrs. N. M. Thissell (See advt. page 42).

Mrs. A. J. Prescott (See advt. page 45).

Musical Instruments.

Granville Pollard (See advt. page 60).

Pail and Bucket Makers.

H. & W. L. Dow (See advt. page 40).

Painters.

T. L. Heath (Sign and Ornamental) (See advt. page 29). W. A. Humphrey (House).

J. M. Kenerson (House).

Photographers.

O. P. Baston (See advt. page 47). G. W. Goodrich (See advt. page 48).

Physicians and Surgeons.

Mason Hatch, M. D. (See advt. page 54).

Thomas Sanborn, M. D.

John L. Swett, M.D. (See advt. page 33).

M. A. Wilcox, M. D. (See advt. page 28).
J. S. Elkins, M. D. (See advt. page 31).

W. W. Darling, M. D.

Henry Tubbs, Dental Surgeon (See advt. page 47).

Publishers.

N. H. Argus and Spectator—Carlton & Harvey

(See advt. page 58).

Rake Makers.

N. O. & J. M. Page. J. M. Wakefield.

David Fletcher.

Restaurant.

L. Whittemore (See advt. page 34).

Scythe Maker.

E. T. Sibley (See advt. page 35).

Sewing Machines.

American Button Hole—Ira Mitchell, Agent

(See advt. page 61).

Weed—G. W. Nourse, Agent.

Howe-M. W. Burke, Agent.

Singer's and Wilson's—G. & E. A. Pollard, Agents.

Florence—C. F. Pike, Agent.

Sheriffs-Deputy.

James L. Riley. R. P. Claggett. M. A. Barton.

Stage Lines.

Newport and Bradford, H. A. Perry, Proprietor (See advt. page 36).

Newport and Claremont, P. H. Welcome, Proprietor. Newport and Lebanon, A. P. Welcome, Proprietor.

Newport and Goshen, James Trow, Proprietor.

Newport, Lempster and Alstead, C. Richardson, Proprietor.

Tin, Stove and Hardware Dealers.

Robinson, Wilcox & Co. (See advt. page 35).

STAGE LINES.

Newport and Bradford.

Leaves Newport daily at 6 A.M.; arives at Bradford at 8 A.M.

Leaves Bradford at 5 p. m. (on the arrival of the train from Boston and Concord); arrives at Newport at 7 p. m.

Newport and Claremont.

Leaves Claremont daily at 4 A. M., and 2 P. M.; arrives at Newport at 5.45 A. M., and 4 P. M.

Leaves Newport at 9.30 a.m., and 7.30 p.m.; arrives at Claremont at 11.45 a.m., and 9 p.m., connecting with passenger trains on Sullivan R. R.

Newport and Lebanon.

Leaves Newport Mondays and Fridays at 6 A. M.; leaves Lebanon Tuesdays and Saturdays at 2.30 P. M., connecting with trains on Northern R. R.

Newport, Lempster and Alstead.

Leaves Lempster Mondays and Fridays at 5 p. m. Leaves Newport Tuesdays and Saturdays at 4.30 a.m., connecting with stages for Alstead, Bellows Falls, Acworth and Charlestown.

Newport and Goshen.

Leaves Goshen Tuesdays and Fridays at 2 P. M. Leaves Newport Tuesdays and Fridays at 4.30 P. M.

SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT.

Trial Terms.

At Newport, on the fourth Tuesday of January, and first Tuesday of September, for Sullivan County.

Law Term.

At Newport, on the fourth Tuesday of June, for the third Judicial District of N. H.

PROBATE COURT.

Terms for Sullivan County.

Newport, on the last Wednesday of February, April, June, August, October and December.

Claremont, on the last Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September and November.

MASONIC CALENDAR.

NEWPORT, N. H.

Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 15, meets Mondays, on or before the full moon, at 2 P.M.

G. A. R.

Frederick Smyth Post, No. 10, meets Mondays, on or before the full moon, at 7 P. M.

A SKETCH

OF THE

EARLY HISTORY OF NEWPORT.

Near the middle of the last century a trapper, by the name of Eastman, left his home in Killingworth, Conn., and followed the course of the Connecticut river until he came to a stream running into it, now called the Sugar river. Finding beaver and otter in abundance, he trapped on the south branch of the Sugar, and on a brook running through a meadow since owned by. Reuben Haven. Eastman was the first white man who entered this town. Having been successful in trapping, he returned to his native place and gave his friends a description of this part of the country, which led some of them to apply for a charter, preparatory to setting out for what was then a wild, uninhabited save by Indians. Eastman, after disposing of his furs, again set out for the new country, but he never returned. The early settlers found on Reuben Haven's farm the bones of a man, which led some to think that Eastman had been killed by the Indians.

THE CHARTER.

The Charter of the township of Newport was granted Oct. 6, 1761, by George III, King of England. In it

was stated that the first meeting of the proprietors should be held on the third Tuesday of November, 1761, for the purpose of electing officers—Mr. George Harris to act as moderator. The Charter named a few conditions which were to be fulfilled by the grantees, or else the lands were to be forfeited. Among them were, in substance, the following:

1. That five acres out of every fifty must be cultivated by each grantee or heirs within five years.

2. All the white and other pine trees must be preserved for masts to be used on ships belonging to the Royal Navy.

3. That a tract of land should be reserved and marked out in the center of the township for town lots.

4. "Yielding and paying therefor, to us, our heirs and successors, for the space of ten years, to be computed from the date hereof, the rent of one ear of Indian corn only, on the twenty-fifth of December, annually, if lawfully demanded, the first payment to be made on the twenty-fifth day of December, 1762."

5. It was further stipulated, that upon the expiration of ten years after the above date, one shilling, proclamation money, for every one hundred acres, should be paid each year by the proprietors.

The number of the original grantees is sixty-two. These obtained their land through a committee chosen at Killingworth, Dec. 25, 1764. The drawing took place at the house of John Hastings, in Charlestown, July 6, 1765. Stephen Wilcox, Robert Lane, John Crane and Isaac Kelsey, formed the committee. During the fall of the year last named, several men came into the town to make preparation for the company that

wished to come in the spring. Three of the men, having extra work to do, resolved to stay and finish it after their companions had left. At night they went to Bragg's camp, near the present residence of Mr. Fairbanks. Next morning a severe snow-storm arose, which compelled them either to follow their companions to No. 4, now Charlestown, or remain and starve. While traveling through Unity, one of the party, Mr. Merritt, became so chilled and tired that he thought he could go no farther, and so laid himself down to die. 'Mr. Kelsey, who believed in resorting to severe remedies, when gentle ones were ineffectual, cut some sprouts, and not very tenderly, but mercifully, applied them to Mr. Merritt's body. Mr. Merritt rose, and with an evil intention, it is supposed, pursued Mr. K. After running quite a distance the passion of Mr. M. subsided; he thanked his companion for the castigation, and all went on their way rejoicing, and reached their temporary home at Charlestown in safety.

FIRST MEETING OF PROPRIETORS.

The first regular and legal meeting by the proprietors of Newport was held October 13, 1767, and was called to order by Benjamin Bellows, of Walpole, one of "His Majesty's Justices." This meeting adjourned to convene on the 16th of October, 1767, at the house of "Zephaniah Clark, Innholder in said Newport."

THE FIRST HOTEL.

The first hotel was not a very elegant edifice. It was simply a log cabin, and Zephaniah Clark had the honor of being the first hotel-keeper. From the record it seems he was a prominent man. He stands first in the

following list, which comprises the names of those who first moved to Newport:

Zephaniah Clark,
Ebenezer Merritt,
Benjamin Bragg,
Samuel Hurd,
Jesse Wilcox,
Amos Hull,
James Church,
Ezra Parmelee,
Jesse Kelsey.

Nathan Hurd, Ephraim Turner, Roswell Kelsey, Roswell Hull, William Stannard, Jesse Lane, Benjamin Giles, Charles Avery.

The first five were married, and received eighty acres each; the rest being bachelors received fifty acres each. Thus the men in olden time had substantial inducements to marry.

ROADS.

For some time after the town was settled the inhabitants traveled on horseback or went on foot. They could not ride in wagons or carriages. The husband, wife and child, might be seen upon a horse, on a Sunday morning, going to church, while the children who could walk, trudged on behind. Finding it difficult to bring merchandise to the place without wagons, a road was cut through the woods to Charlestown, by way of what are now called Pike Hill and Unity. Committees were afterward appointed to confer with other towns in reference to building turnpikes. Several roads were made in town shortly after the permanent settlement, a direct tax being laid upon the people to meet the expenses.

WOMAN'S RIGHTS.

Mrs. Bragg made out the first taxes in town, no other one, at that time, understanding how to attend to this

business. It is not stated in the records whether the privilege of voting was granted or not to Mrs. Bragg for her more than manly work.

BRIDGES.

It was voted by the people, March 8, 1774, to build a bridge across the east branch of Sugar river, near the site of the present bridge in the center of the village. On March 13, 1775, it was voted to build another across the south branch, just west of the residence of Dea. Chapin. The streams before the erection of these bridges were forded, but as this was dangerous in certain seasons of the year, it was found best to build these two and many more.

MILLS.

The inhabitants, for a short time after the settlement of the town, when they wished to have their grain ground were obliged to travel by a bridle road to Charlestown. The road was rough and the distance long. When Benjamin Giles resolved to build a saw and a corn-mill, the town quickly came to his help, and a liberal grant was made, which enabled him at once to erect the mills. These were situated near the factory recently built by Messrs. Coffin & Nourse. The first cotton mill was built in 1813, by Col. James D. Wolcot. This was afterward burned. A mill was erected in 1832, by Messrs. Smith & Rockwell, on the east branch. This was burned in 1835. The Newport Mechanics Manufacturing Company- was incorporated in June, 1835, and after running two years failed. Parks & Twitchel commenced in 1838 to manufacture Cassimere in the mill formerly owned by the Manufacturing Company, now owned by Samuel H. Edes, Esq. The factory now owned by Solomon Dean, Esq., was built by Moses P. Durkee, and was originally used for an oil mill. No reference need be made to the other mills now standing, as full statements will be given by the owners in the advertising columns.

PROPRIETORS' HOUSE.

On November 23, 1772, a meeting was held at the house of Jesse Wilcox, where it was voted to erect a building, "thirty feet in length and twenty in width, with one fire-place." A tax of fifteen shillings was levied on each proprietor to meet the expense. The house was to be finished in July, 1773, but the interior did not indicate that it ever received the finishing strokes, as a few boards were merely nailed upon the beams overhead and on the sides, thus leaving large open spaces. At public meetings, when the lower part of the house was full, the small boys clambered up the rude steps into the loft, and feeling their importance looked down upon their elders. This building was used on Sunday for religious worship, and at certain times during the year, on week days, as a school house.

PROPRIETORS' CLERKS.

On December 25, 1764, at Killingworth, Isaac Kelsey was elected the first clerk of the proprietors. In March, 1767, Benjamin Giles was elected clerk, which office he filled with acceptance to 1787. He was an energetic, capable man. He was the delegate chosen to represent the classed towns in the Assembly. The day upon which the election was held was very rainy and boisterous. Giles wore an old gray coat, that had seen better days, and which probably did not add much to his

appearance. After the vote was declared, an honest and facetious Scotchman discovered Giles buried in his ragged coat. Seizing hold of the delegate, the Scotchman exclaimed, "The de'ils in the mon, here's what we've been after all the day under this old rag of a coat." "True, friend," replied Giles, "it is better to carry about a ragged coat than a ragged conscience." Mr. G. enjoyed the public confidence, and was so highly esteemed by the Governor that while he was a member of the Council blank commissions for justices of the peace were given to him to be filled at his discretion. In 1788 Jedediah Reynolds was elected clerk. 1790 Jesse Lane was chosen. He acted until 1819, when Benjamin Lane assisted at a meeting which elected Phineas Chapin proprietors' clerk. In 1826 James Breck was elected, which office he held until 1841, when Amasa Edes, Esq., the present incumbent, was chosen clerk.

FIRST TOWN MEETING.

The first town meeting was held on the 27th of September, 1769; Samuel Cole, justice of the peace, appointed it, as the inhabitants could not warn the first meeting. At eight o'clock, on the appointed day, the people met and elected Benjamin Giles, moderator, Amos Hull, town clerk, and Samuel Hurd, Jesse Wilcox and Amos Hull, selectmen. Samuel Hurd, being a strong man, was elected constable. For a number of years town meetings were warned in the name of "His Majesty," but on March 11, 1777, a meeting, warned in the name of the State of New-Hampshire was held.

PATRIOTISM.

On the 24th of July, 1775, a large meeting was held, in obedience to the recommendation of the Continental

Congress, and resolutions were adopted in opposition to England. Men were fitted out for the war, and from time to time the Continental army received recruits from Newport. In 1812 the same patriotism was displayed by the inhabitants, and also at a later date when the flag of our country was insulted.

EDUCATION.

On March 8, 1774, it was voted to pay, out of the town treasury, "four pounds lawful money" toward the support of a school the ensuing summer. Having no money they found an equivalent in the shape of grain. The early settlers showed that they were not content to have their children grow up in ignorance. The efforts of these thinking men resulted in good. A few years ago, from carefully prepared statistics, it was found that Newport furnished a larger number of college graduates, in proportion to population, than any other town in New-England, with a single exception. It is hoped that this statement will be the means of spurring the present inhabitants to consider the necessity of introducing an educational system and building school edifices worthy of the times, in order that the children here may receive the best education.

OLD STYLE OF LIVING.

The houses in which the early settlers dwelt were made of logs. Moss was used, instead of mud, for filling. A large fire-place was built, in which wood from three to five feet long could be placed. On one side of this the children could sit; on the other the parents, and "yet there was room." Stoves were not then in use. Ventilators were not needed. The food was not as fine and unhealthy as some placed upon tables to-day. The

strength of the grain was retained, and so gave strength to the people. Elegant dishes were not owned by many. The beans, potatoes, brown bread and meat, were placed upon wooden trenchers.

THE VILLAGE.

The early settlers laid out the village on the west side of the south branch of Sugar river, but nature did not acquiesce. The fine water power on the main river attracted capitalists who erected mills. Houses were also built by these for themselves and their employees. The increase of trade drew business men to the place; many public buildings were erected, in rapid succession, and marked improvement was seen in street and dwelling. Fine looking houses have lately been built. A healthy spirit of emulation has been aroused. What, with the thrift and enterprise of its citizens, the fine water power, the anticipated increased method of travel, the improvements now in contemplation, the healthful climate and delightful situation, Newport bids fair to become one of the largest villages in New-Hampshire.



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Butter, Cheese, Pork, Beans,

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Residence, Main Street, Newport, N. H.

J. S. & B. C. HEATH,

MANUFACTURERS OF

LIGHT SIDE AND END SPRING BUGGIES,

OPEN WAGONS

SLEIGHS:

ALSO, MANUFACTURE TO ORDER

Top Carriages, Express and Heavy Business Wagons.

Repairing done to order, at the Shop formerly occupied by HEATH & HALPINE.

NEWPORT, N. H.

A.S. WAIT,

ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW,

Nos. 8 and 9 Nettleton Block,

UP STAIRS,

Newport, N. H.

M. A. WILCOX, M. D.

Komeopathic Physician.

OFFICE IN

Whitney's New Block,

MAIN STREET,

Newport, N. H.

TRUMAN L. HEATH, CARRIAGE, SIGN,

Ornamental and House Painter,
MAIN STREET, NEWPORT, N. H.,

DEALER IN

Paints, Oils, Varnishes, &c.

Tripp's Colored Paints,

IN NEWPORT AND VICINITY.

BLACKSMITHING.

Isaac Woodbury,

THREE DOORS EAST OF THE NEWPORT HOUSE,

PRACTICAL BLACKSMITH,

AND DEALER IN

IRON, STEEL, COAL, &c.

Carriage Ironing, Shoeing,

JOB WORK OF ALL KINDS

Executed promptly, at reasonable rates.

Livery, Boarding and Sale



STABLE,

Rear of Eagle Block, Newport, N. H.

H. A. AVERILL, Proprietor.

FIRST CLASS TEAMS ALWAYS IN READINESS.

Horses, Carriages and Harnesses, for sale or exchange.

Established by D. B. CHAPIN, 1827.

CHAPIN & KELSEY,

At the Old Shop by the Watering Trough,

Are prepared to do, in the best manner,

Carriage Ironing, Factory Work, Shoeing

AND JOB WORK OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS.

IRON, STEEL, COAL,

AND

Carriage Trimming of all kinds.

Cable Chains, and every thing required in the business, constantly on hand and for sale.

AGENTS FOR

PATENT MACHINE for SETTING AXLES,

and Patent Brace for light Carriages .

DAVID B. CHAPIN. CHARLES H. KELSEY.

J. S. Elkins, M. D.

PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON,

Newport, N. H.

S. G. STOWELL & CO.

DEALERS IN

DRY GOODS

And Groceries of all kinds,

FLOUR, BUTTER, CHEESE, EGGS, FISH,

TRIPE, LARD, SALT, &c.

B. M. GILMORE,

MANUFACTURER OF

SASM, DOORS,

13161616165;

ALSO,

COFFINS and CASKETS,

Newport, N. H.

M. W. BURKE,

Ready-Made Clothing,

HATS, CAPS, AND FURNISHING GOODS,

LADIES' FURS, &c.

AGENT FOR

Elias Howe Sewing Machine.

EAGLE BLOCK, NEWPORT, N. H.

J. L. Swett, M. D.

PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON,

Office and Residence

Corner Court Square and Main Street.

C. T. & L. LATHROP,

BLACKSMITHS,

NEWPORT, N. H.,

CARRIAGE IRONING, SHOEING,

ANI

Job work of all kinds,

Done in the best manner, at short notice.

IRON AND COAL FOR SALE AT LOWEST PRICES.

Diamond Mill,

GEORGE S. COFFIN, Proprietor.

UNION FLANNELS,

ANNUAL PRODUCTION, 180,000 YARDS.

AGENTS:

GEORGE C. RICHARDSON & CO., Boston and New-York.

L. WHITTEMORE,

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The Church was formed in May, 1779, by the aid of Rev. Biel Ledoyt, of Connecticut, and Rev. Job Seamans, of Massachusetts, and is the oldest church in Newport, the Congregational Church dating from Oct. 28th, of the same year. It was first known as the Baptist Church in Newport and Croydon; soon after it was known only by its present name. In June, 1820, the Church and Society were incorporated by an act of the legislature. The Church has settled fourteen pastors. Elder Ledoyt, being the first, was installed Oct., 1791, and dismissed in 1805, to the regret of his people. His pastorate was successful. His ministrations were blest to the conversion of many, and were edifying to all. It was during the pastorate of Elder Ledoyt that the Church built their first meeting-house.

Rev. Thomas Brown succeeded Mr. Ledoyt soon after his dismission. For a considerable time his labors were attended with much success. One general awakening occurred in his time, in which the Baptist Church shared largely. This was in 1810, during which year sixty-six were baptized and joined the Baptist Church. Before and after less numbers united with the Church under Mr. Brown.

Rev. Ira Person was twice settled over this people, and declined a third call to be their pastor. His first settlement dates July, 1821; his dismission was in 1835; returned in 1838, and left again in 1842. Mr. Person's two terms of service embrace toward twenty years. Under his devoted and judicious ministry this people reached their highest position and influence, a position and influence exceeded by few churches in the State, if any, at the time. Several extensive revivals were experienced in the congregation which brought large accessions into the Church and swelled the usual Sabbath service to the utmost capacity of the sittings to be obtained in the Baptist meeting-house. "Father" Person still lives to pray for the peace of Jerusalem and to enjoy the unspeakable privilege of preaching the glorious gospel of the blessed God. This is the man whom the Church delights to honor.

Rev. Joseph Freeman, D. D., of Vermont, was pastor here between three and four years, from 1842 to 1846.

LIST OF PASTORS,

And time of their settlement and dismission, as nearly as we have been able to ascertain.

Biel Ledoyt, settled in 1791, dismissed in 1805. Thomas Brown, settled in 1806, dismissed in 1813. Elisha Hutchinson, settled in 1815. Ira Person, settled in 1821, dismissed in 1835. Edward Peterson, settled in 1835, dismissed in 1836. Orin Tracy, settled in 1836, dismissed in 1838. Ira Person, settled in 1838, dismissed in 1842. Joseph Freeman, settled in 1842, dismissed in 1846. Wm. M. Guilford, settled in 1847, dismissed in 1851. Paul S. Adams, settled in 1851, dismissed in 1856. James Andem, settled in 1857, dismissed in 1858. Mylon Merriam, settled in 1858, dismissed in 1859. W. H. Watson, settled in 1860, dismissed in 1861. D. T. James, settled in 1862, dismissed in 1866. Foster Henry, settled in 1866.

Of these pastors six are known to have received a collegiate education, and three of them a collegiate and theological training.

This church has the honor of having furnished seven candidates for the Christian ministry, just half the number that has been required to serve at her own altar. Rev. Baron Stow, D. D., late of Boston, and Rev. Elijah Hutchinson, A. M., long a pastor of the Baptist Church in Windsor, Vt., are the most widely known of these. Rev. F. W. Towle, of Claremont, is a worthy son of this church.

DEACONS.

Seth Wheeler,
Elias Metcalf,
Asaph Stowe,
William Cheney,
Joseph Farnsworth,
Israel Kelley,
Timothy Fletcher,

Jeremiah Nettleton,
Abel Metealf,
Parmenas Whitcomb,
James Tandy,
Jonathan Cutting,
Austin L. Kibby,
Henry A. Jenekes.

Of those that have finished their course, Jeremiah Nettleton is named in the records of the Church as having "used the office of deacon well, and purchased to himself a good degree." Abel Metcalf acquitted himself as became his holy calling, and died with his harness on. Asaph Stowe was faithful unto the end. William Cheney, more frequently called Colonel than Deacon, was a prominent citizen of Newport. He will long be remembered here for his efforts, in the Legislature and out of it, to effect a division of Cheshire county, for the purpose of erecting the northern half of it into a separate shire, which we are proud to call "Old Sullivan." The village of Newport is quite as largely indebted to the enterprise and liberality of Col. Cheney, as the Baptist Church and Society are for his devotion to their special interests. Our Common, which is the pride of the village, the "Central Park" of Newportwith the grounds adjacent on which the meeting-house and parsonage of this society stand, were deeded to their respective occupants by him, at less than half their value at the time. It will be remembered, also, that the Colonel was the contractor and chief agent in building the meeting-house in which the society has worshiped for the last fifty years. All honor to the memory of the man who loved this people, and did so much to build us a synagogue. Joseph Farnsworth was a fit associate with Col. Cheney, mentally, morally and socially. He was eminent for his good sense, candor and meekness. Timothy Fletcher was preëminently a man of God, whose pious example is not yet forgotten among us. Dea. Jonathan Cutting is remembered for his integrity, and as a man of keen and genial wit, which rendered him a favorite among his townsmen.

Still others deserve to be mentioned here for their efficiency and labors of love in behalf of the Baptist cause in Newport—individuals of both sexes and in all ranks—members of the church and others, Even in a

sketch of this kind it would be unjust in us not to specify Rev. Leland Howard, of Vermont, a veteran in our Zion. Mr. H., then pastor in Windsor, visited Newport and baptized a young man recently converted, and administered the Lord's Supper. "A glorious revival commenced, and in less than sixty days prevailed through the whole town. He baptized about ninety in this revival. From Nov. 8, 1818, to Sept. 30, 1819, 110 united with this church." The revival efforts of Grant and Walden, twenty years later, were no less successful.

Of laymen, we may name the late Amos Little, and the venerable Zina Goldthwait, who still remains with us, at an advanced age—men who gave their time and their money and their prayers without stint to benefit the church and society.

For the first nineteen years this people worshiped in private houses, in school-houses and in barns. In 1798 their first meeting-house was built, on "Baptist Hill," just west of the new and elegant mansion of Ezra T. Sibley, Esq., at Northville. That house was a plain structure, forty feet square. William Haven, of this town, still preserves the pulpit in his keeping. The house in which the society now worship was built in the summer of 1821, and was dedicated in four months after it was raised. It occupies a conspicuous site at the head of the Common; its dimensions are 64 by 44 feet, "well finished, with an elegant steeple," in the language of Baron Stow, written at the time. Extensive changes and repairs were made on this house in 1841, and the society is about to remodel, enlarge and beautify the same. This church, which gave name to the "Newport Association," from its central position and standing, has experienced the widest extremes of prosperity and of adversity. At two distinct periods of its history the church has enjoyed a healthy and permanent growth. But as a whole its course has been fitful—now swelled by revivals of great power and extensiveness, and then diminished by prolonged seasons of dearth and declension. The largest membership at any one time was 360, which was in 1840. The present number is 194; added the past year—by baptism, 11, by letter, 1. It is ardently hoped that the church is recovering from the trials and losses of recent years, to renew the years of its greatest prosperity. Hitherto the largest spiritual and temporal growth of the church and society has been coeval with the erection of their meeting-Never before has the society possessed any thing near its present amount of property. Within three years it has increased from \$50 to \$5,000. \$2,500 of it is invested in a parsonage, that has been built within the time named; the principal part of the remainder came by the Will of the late Mrs. Whitcomb.

PRESENT ACTING OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH AND SOCIETY.

Foster Henry, Pastor.

Austin L. Kibby,
Henry A. Jenckes,

Nathan White, Church Clerk.

Wm. H. Perry, Clerk of the Society.

NEWPORT, March, 1870.

SKETCH OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH IN NEWPORT, N. H.

In June, 1766, eight young men, from Killingworth, Connecticut, came into the town of Newport, New-Hampshire (chartered five years before), to form a permanent settlement. On the first Sabbath after their arrival they met under a tree, and there united in praising God, by prayer and song and reading his Word. It is a remarkable fact, that since these young men met under that tree, to the present time, the Congregationalists have never permitted a Sunday to pass without meeting for religious worship.

The early settlers, after that first meeting, met for six or seven years in a private house, where they listened to one of their number, who conducted the religious exercises and read sermons from printed volumes.

In 1773 a house was built, to be used for religious worship on the Lord's day, and as a school-house during the week. Thus we see that the fathers of the town were desirous of building upon Christ and a sound education. The character of the inhabitants being known, people began to come in from different parts of the country.

On the 29th of June, 1775, a committee was appointed to confer with Mr. Eliezar Sweetland, to see if he were willing to preach the gospel in Newport for some time longer. Thus it is known that the people had procured the services of a minister.

On May 4, 1778, a vote was taken to instruct a committee to confer with Rev. Thomas Kendal, "to see if he will return to this town, as soon as he can with convenience, after he hath accomplished his purposed journey."

On March 15, 1779, a committee was appointed to make application to Rev. Mr. Hall, of Keene, to look out for a man to settle over the proposed church.

On October 28, 1779, a meeting was held by the Congregationalists to organize a church. The Rev. Aaron Hall, being the only minister from abroad, acted as moderator. Aaron Buel was chosen scribe. Articles of faith, form of covenant and rules of discipline, were adopted, and signed on that day, by

- 1. Robert Lane,
- 2. Daniel Dudley,
- 3. Daniel Buell,
- 4. Aaron Buell.
- 5. Elias Bascom,
- 6. Matthew Buell,
- 7. Josiah Stevens,
- 8. Benjamin Giles,

- 1. Esther Buell,
- 2. Susanna Dudley,
- 3. Lydia Hurd,
- 4. Eunice Bascom,
- 5. Mary Stevens,
- 6. Esther Lane,
- 7. Chloe Wilcox,
- 8. Mary Buell,
- 9. Jane Buell.

On Dec. 6, 1779, a committee was appointed to confer with Mr. Tracy and "desire him to tarry and preach the gospel four Sabbaths longer, if they could discern a probability of his settling, or a disposition in him to settle with the people of this town as a preacher at some future time, if circumstances admitted of it, if not to proceed." The people, though they were extremely desirous of having a settled minister, would not insist too much upon Mr. Tracy's coming. It seems that Mr.

Tracy "proceeded" on his way, for we find, shortly after this, that a young man, Mr. Samuel Wood, was invited to preach, and in a meeting, held Aug. 7, 1780, it was voted to ask the above named gentleman to preach "two Sabbaths longer on probation." On the 24th of the same month, a call was given to Mr. Wood. He was offered £100 as settlement and £45 per year as salary, which was to be increased £5 per year until it reached £70. This call was not accepted.

It would seem, judging from the hints given in the records, that the revival, which took place shortly after the formation of the church, was during the stay of Mr. Wood. As the fruit of this refreshing, about thirty were added to the church.

After this, Jan. 22, 1783, the church and town having a short time before given him a call, the Rev. Jno. Remele was installed as the *first pastor* of the Congregational Church. As is the case too frequently after a large accession to the church, the people stop effort for a time, so we find, during the eight years and nine months of Mr. Remele's ministry, only thirteen were added to the church. He was dismissed Oct. 10, 1791. During this year an effort was made "to procure Mr. Bliss, or any other gospel minister, to preach the gospel in this town during the ensuing summer, or any longer or shorter term, as he may think proper."

On Nov. 7, 1791, it was voted that some land be procured from Mr. Absalom Kelsey, for the purpose of erecting a meeting-house upon it. On Nov. 22, of the same year, the town voted to accept the doings of the meeting-house committee, and also voted to raise two hundred pounds for the purpose of defraying the cost of the above-mentioned house. This was in due time

erected, and stood for many years upon the cone-like hill west of the present village. The frame of the old church is now to be seen in the barn of Mr. William Davis.

Four years passed away without a pastor. It seemed as if the Lord had forgotten his people, but he had not. Mr. Abijah Wines was raised up from the ranks to lead the host. He left his farm and entered the ministry January 5, 1796. Many still remember that tall, large form. He was a good student and a successful pastor, for during his twenty-one years of work in this place the church enjoyed three revivals, and 212 were added to it. On Nov. 26, 1816, Mr. Wines was dismissed. Two years after, Dec. 2, 1818, a young man from Dartmouth College, Mr. James R. Wheelock, was ordained over the church. He was a man of talents—sensitive and enthusiastic, it may be impulsive. That he was a hard worker may be seen from the fact that, during his little more than four years' stay-for he was dismissed Feb. 23. 1823,—one hundred and forty-eight were added to the church.

It was during Mr. Wheelock's ministry, in 1822, that the present large and beautiful edifice was erected, which shows that the people then were far in advance of their times in liberality, sentiment and taste.

On Jan. 28, 1824, the Rev. John Woods, who had been pastor of the church in Warner, was installed over this church. For more than a quarter of a century this man of scholarly ability preached to this people. During his ministry 329 were added to the church. Near the close of his pastorate there resulted an unfortunate division—which for a time made the dear old church a target for the enemies of the cross—who, with sarcasm

in the words, said, "See how these christians love one another." Time and grace have smoothed, it is hoped, the asperity of feeling. The daughter, though she walks not according to the polity of the mother, still retains some of the old Puritan leaven, and what with this and the "Roger Williams element" which she has drawn in, she has been the means of reaching many who otherwise would not have come under the sound of the gospel. The good Lord since then has brought order out of confusion.

On the same day, July 16, 1851, that the old pastor, Rev. John Woods, was dismissed, a young man who had graduated not long before from Andover, was ordained. He came during a time of discouragement—when the church seemed weak. Though young, and comparatively inexperienced, he had, to counter-balance these, a hearty love for Christ, a sound mind and an earnest desire to do good. Near the beginning of his ministry the interior of the church was repaired. The old pews whe cut down, the floor raised, the pulpit lowered, and other changes made. Some time after Mr. Cummings' ordination God's spirit was poured out upon this church, and also upon the other churches of the place. There are many who can testify to the purity of life-the devotion and love of Mr. Cummings. 170 were added to the church during his ministry. He was dismissed July 25, 1866, and immediately after was settled over the Congregational Church in Rutland, Massachusetts, where he still remains.

In the summer of 1867, a young man, G. R. W. Scott, then at Andover, was invited to preach a year to this people. He accepted. During this year he was invited to settle as pastor. This also he accepted, and was or-

dained Sept. 17, 1868. During the summer of 1868 the interior of the church edifice underwent a complete change. The old pews on the floor and in the gallery were taken out. New circular pews, made of chestnut and trimmed with walnut, were placed on the lower floor, while some of the old pews, handsomely refitted, were made to do service again up stairs. The ceiling and walls were beautifully frescoed. A circular platform, made of chestnut and walnut, was built, upon which was placed an elegant walnut desk. These, together with the chairs, carpet, etc., are the furnishment of the east end, while the large and handsome organ, the gift of Dexter Richards, Esq., is the attraction in the west end. Many other important improvements were made—all of which cost nearly \$8,000.

During the last year many were added to the church, thus showing that God has not forgotten to be gracious. The church still depends upon the Lord, and the daily prayer is, that God will continue to help and make this branch of Zion as great a power for good in the future as in the past.

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METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

The history of Methodism in Newport is replete with interest. The space allotted us, however, will permit us to give only a brief synopsis of it. Some sixty or seventy years since, Peter Wakefield, then a member of the Baptist church, rejected the doctrine of the perseverance of the saints. All effort to reclaim him failing, he

was expelled from their communion. At that time he had never heard a Methodist sermon, or read a Methodist book; yet he was really the founder of Methodism in Newport. The first Methodist preacher he heard was Elijah, since Bishop, Hedding, who at that time preached occasionally in Sunapee. Father Wakefield invited him here, and probably he preached the first Methodist sermon in Newport. In 1830 a class was formed, consisting of six persons. From time to time they were visited by the preachers of the Goshen circuit. In 1840, or about that time, objections were made to the use of the School house by the Methodists, for religious services; in consequence of which Father Wakefield built a chapel at Northville, which is now standing, as good as new, and open for the use of all Evangelical Christians. In 1843 the Miller excitement, which swept over the country, robbed this infant society, then in a flourishing condition, of all its male members, excepting Father Wakefield and brother N. O. Page. It seemed to them the setting of the sun ere 't was noon. It was, however, only the interception of a dark cloud. Methodism had not accomplished its mission here. It was not to be confined to the north portion of the town, but occupy a more central position, from which its light might radiate. Circumstances arose in the Congregational church which caused a secession of those methodists who had joined it for the want of a church of their choice in the place, and also of many other highly respectable members. These proposed a permanent union with the Methodists at Northville, which, being consented to, they asked the N. H. Conference for a preacher. Accordingly, in May, 1850, Warren F. Evans was stationed among them. The Universalist chapel was secured as a place of worship. A good congregation was gathered. A society was organized under the discipline of the M. E. Church. Steps were taken to erect a church edifice; a central site was selected, and such was the progress of the work, that, December 25, 1851, they were able to dedicate their house to the worship of Almighty God. Bro. Evans remained two years. They have since enjoyed the Pastoral care of Sullivan Holman, A. C. Manson, J. W. Guernsey, D. P. Leavitt, John Currier, James Thurston, S. G. Kellogg, C. M. Dinsmore, Charles Young, and C. W. Millen. A good religious interest, with occasional conversions, have characterized the Society from the beginning. Gracious revival influences have visited it in the years 1852-3 and 1869. In 1854 grounds were purchased and a Parsonage built, at an expense of about \$2000. During the past two years the church and grounds have been enlarged, an organ purchased, and improvements made to the amount of nearly \$5000. With such a record of prosperity—with a congregation large, intelligent, appreciative—with a Sabbath school in a flourishing condition, and a church membership of over 200, many of whom are eminent for their spirituality, we are led to exclaim, not only, "What hath God wrought?" but what will he not accomplish with this powerful agency for good. May God bless the Methodist Church in Newport, and make her future more glorious than her C. W. MILLEN, Pastor. past.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Newport embraces 25,267 acres, or about $39\frac{1}{2}$ square miles. Population, in 1860, 2077. Population in 1870, estimated 2400. Valuation, in 1868, \$993,689.

Newport Post-office is a money order office.

The final survey of the Sugar River Railroad has been completed, the road located and under contract from Bradford to Claremont, and, it is believed, will be put in operation during the year 1871.

Beside the water-power now in use, there are many good privileges unoccupied within the limits of the town.

The first birth and first death in Newport, was the child of Major Jesse Wilcox, born February 28, 1768, and died March 9, of the same year, as recorded on a tombstone in the oldest cemetery in town, which was presented to the town by Benjamin Bragg, Dec. 31, 1771.

The other burying grounds in town are as follows: One in Northville, given to the town in 1795, by Joel Wakefield. One, purchased August 29, 1814, and another, the principal one, purchased in 1824, situated east of the Congregational meeting house, on the Bradford road, in which two tombs were built for the use of the town in 1842.

Dr. Ellis was the first postmaster in this town.

James White had the honor of making the first hat in Newport.

Seth Chase was the first blacksmith.

Nathaniel Sheldon was the first shoemaker.

Reuben Bascom was the first cloth-dresser.

Oliver Lund was the first saddler and harness maker.

Wm. Brittain was the first tailor, going from house to house to do his work.

Jonathan Comstock was the first tanner.

David Brown made the first brick.

Samuel Church kept the first tailor shop.

Norman McGregor manufactured the first rakes by water power in this town.

The first stage which passed through this town was the stage from Windsor, Vermont, to Boston, in the year 1818.

The first frame house erected was upon the site of the present residence of Mr. Hunton. It was for a long time an object of admiration.

FIRST MERCHANDISE.

The first merchandise brought into this town was a barrel of rum, owned by several persons who had clubbed together for its purchase. None of the shareholders having sufficient mathematical knowledge to make an equitable division of the rum, they were obliged to wait several days for the arrival of Mr. Christopher Newton, who was more gifted.

Rev. John Remele, the first pastor of the Congregational church in Newport, was a delegate to the Con-

vention which framed the Constitution of the United States.

FRESH WATER INTRODUCED.

Fresh water was introduced into the north part of the village of Newport, in wooden pipes, in 1856, at an expense of \$1000, by Samuel H. Edes, Esq., from Cold Spring Grove—the scene of many a fourth of July celebration and Sabbath School and Picnic Festival—and was relaid by him in December, 1862, with the New-Jersey Cement and Iron Pipe, at an expense of \$5000.

DIES FOR THE "PINE TREE SHILLING."

Joseph Jenks came from Hammersmith, England, in 1642, and settled in that part of Lynn, Massachusetts, which is now Saugus. He was a machinist "at the Iron Works," and was a man of great genius. He was the first founder who worked in brass and iron on the western continent. By his hands were the first moldings made, and the first castings taken, of domestic utensils and iron tools in this country—at least by Europeans. The first article cast by him was a small iron pot, of about the capacity of one quart. This is still retained

by his descendants, and is highly prized by them.

"In June, 1646, Mr. Joseph Jenks presented a petition" to the General Court, "that the Court would patronize his improvements in mills and in the manufacture of scythes." "January 20, 1647, Richard Leader sold to Joseph Jenks the privilege to build a forge at the Iron Works for the manufacture of scythes." "In May, 1655, the General Court granted to Mr. Joseph Jenks a patent for an improved Scythe, for the more speedy cutting of grasse, for seven years." This improvement consisted in lengthening the blade, making it thinner, and welding a square bar on the back to strengthen it, as in the modern scythe. Before this the old English blade was short and thick like a bush scythe.

In 1652, a mint was established at Boston for coining silver. The pieces had the word "Massachusetts," and the figure of a pine tree on one side, and on the reverse "N. E. Anno 1652," and the numerals III, VI, or XII, denoting the number

of pence. These were the famous "pine tree" coins of our early history. The dies for this coinage were made by Joseph

Jenks, at the Iron Works.

"In 1654, the selectmen of Boston agreed with Mr. Joseph Jenks for an Ingine to carry water in case of fire." This was the first fire engine built in America. Mr. Jenks was also the author of many important improvements in mills and iron tools, and several patents were granted to him for his useful inventions.

JOSEPH JENKS, Jr., the eldest son of the inventor, removed to Rhode Island, and settled there. His son Joseph was Governor of that State, from 1727 to 1732. Hon. Thomas A. JENCKES, the eminent patent lawyer and present member of Congress from Rhode Island, is one of his descendants, and is widely known as the author of the Bankrupt Law, and of the United States Civil Service bill.—American Bond Detector.

Rev. EBENEZER JENKS was ordained, in 1719, the seventh pastor of the First Baptist Church in Providence, R. I.—the oldest Baptist Church in America.—First Baptist Church Manual, Providence, R. I.

Daniel Jenks was a wealthy merchant of Providence, R. I., and a member of the First Baptist Church. He died July 7, 1779, aged 73, having been a member forty-eight years "without censure." For forty years he was a member of the General Assembly, and nearly thirty years Chief Justice of the Providence County Courts. His daughter Rhoda was the mother of the Hon. Nicholas Brown, from whom Brown University, of Providence, derives its name. Daniel Jenks was a member of the Assembly at the time the College Charter was granted, and was its foster-father.—Hist. Brown University.

The above named are descendants of Joseph Jenks, who came from Hammersmith, England, in 1642.

JEREMIAH JENKS, another descendant, purchased land in Newport, in May, 1776, and moved his family from Rhode Island to Newport, July 4, 1776. Furniture is still in possession of members of the family which they brought with them at that time. At the "old homestead," in Newport, was born and reared the father of Hon. Thomas A. Jenckes, above mentioned.

The name was originally spelled *Jenks*; but for some unknown reason, soon after the Revolutionary war, members of the family adopted the style *Jenckes*, which orthography is to some extent continued.

ANECDOTES.

Among the early settlers of Newport was a droll genius, who was hopelessly addicted to spinning improbable and impossible yarns, and when admonished, as he often was, he always excused himself by saying, "There is no sin in telling a story so that no one will believe it." The following is a specimen: "I went over to Deacon R's, one day, in the fall," said the old man, "to get my boots tapped. When the job was finished, I started for home. I had about five miles to walk, and was half way home, when there came up a tremendous hailstorm. Hailstones fell as large as goose eggs, and twice as plenty, and when they had knocked the top out of my hat, and began to pelt my bald head, I began to look for shelter. I found a tall stump which had been burned out inside, leaving a shell. Up I went, and crawling in headforemost, stuck my feet in the air, and thus protected by my double thick cowhides, I bade defiance to the storm. How long I remained there I do n't know, perhaps two hours, when I felt the hail peppering my bare feet, and unable to stand that I crawled out, and upon looking at my boots, found that my new soles were completely worn out, and they, with my two shillings, had gone to the dogs. Now may be you do n't believe that," said the old man, "but it's as true as any thing I have told to-night." And it was.

Another old gent used to tell the story of his sitting one evening, with a crowd of others around the stove, in the "Old Brick Store," drinking flip and smoking, when one of them, in lighting his pipe, accidentally dropped a live coal into an open keg of gunpowder. "I saw it drop," said he, and catched a pail and put for the river at my biggest gait, but, if you'll believe it, when I got back, that powder was more'n half burned up."

From The Republican Statesman.

TO A FAVORITE STREAM.*

AN OCTOBER POEM.

SILENCE sleeps in thy valley,
O beautiful stream!
O wayward and mystical river!
Dreaming a pleasant dream,
As the sunbeams on thy murmuring ripples quiver,
And talking in his sleep—
His sleep so sound and deep!

Silence hath myriad voices,
O gleaming tide!
And from thine enchanting valley,
Radiant in its pride,
They come to the cliff where the poet stands,—and shall he
Interpret them to thee,
Under this old pine tree?

"Beautiful, beautiful river!"
The old pine sighs;
And the wrinkled, gray old ledges,—
Tears in their mossy eyes,—
Toss back an echo from their jagged edges,
To that lone sentinel,
Guarding the valley well.

Maples with crimson blushing,
Far down below,
And distant hillsides climbing,
Changed to a golden glow,—
All lend a tongue to that mysterious chiming,
Deep as the sounding sea,
Deep as their love for thee!

Blending in sweetest music,
The tinkling feet
Of rivulets down-rushing
Dance to thy silver sheet,
While the rapt sun through golden rifts is flushing
Thy face with heaven's own light:
O dream too brief, too bright!

"Beautiful, beautiful river!"
The old pine sighs;
In the silence my heart replieth,—
"Daughter of earth and skies,
Farewell! but at last, when my weary spirit flieth
Beyond the chiming stars,
May my eyes unclasp their bars
To see thy placid waters calmly flowing
Out from the Burning Throne, and down the valleys glowing!

^{*} Sugar River, Sullivan County, N. H.



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